

Setting up Model ESI Hospitals

816. SHRI SUDARSHANAKARAPU: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up 25 "Model ESI Hospitals" in different parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of hospitals actually set up, State-wise, by ESIC, as on 31st October, 2006 against the target fixed;

(d) whether it is a fact that adequate infrastructure has not been provided to these hospitals; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) The ESI Corporation in its meeting held on 16.02.2001 had decided to take over one hospital in each State covered under ESIC and develop it into a Model Hospital. In the States where the ESIC is already running hospital cum occupational Disease Centres, the same are treated as Model Hospital for that State.

(b) and (c) At present the following hospitals are established as a Model Hospital:

1. Nacharam (Andhra Pradesh)
2. Beltola (Assam)
3. Phulwarishariff (Bihar)
4. Bapu Nagar (Ahmedabad, Gujarat)
5. Namkum, Ranchi (Jharkhand)
6. Rajaji Nagar, Bangalore (Karnataka)
7. Asramam (Kerala)
8. Rourkela (Orissa)
9. Ludhiana (Punjab)
10. Jaipur (Rajasthan)
11. Noida (Uttar Pradesh)

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12. Bari Brahmna Jammu (J&K)
13. Joka (West Bengal)
14. K.K. Nagar, Chennai (Tamil Nadu)
15. Chinchwad, Pune (Maharashtra)
16. Nagda (Madhya Pradesh)

ESIC has given in principle approval for setting up of Hospital at Baddi, Himachal Pradesh to be run as Model Hospital. Pondicherry have so far not given their consent for handing over the hospital to the ESI Corporation to be set up as Model Hospital. Further, Standing Committee of ESIC in its 169th Meeting held on 02.06.2005 has resolved that for a period of two years, till March 2007, ESIC may not take over any more hospital of State Government. as Model hospital.

(d) and (e) No, Sir. Upgradation is an ongoing process and ESIC has taken several steps to upgrade the Model Hospitals with staff and equipment as per the norms. The ESI Corporation has sanctioned the staff as per the norms and the process of recruitment is in progress. Besides this, the hospitals are being technically upgraded with latest equipments as per the requirement of the various hospitals.

Target for creation of Jobs by 2010

817. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the target of creating jobs by 2010;
- (b) whether Government propose to formulate any employment oriented policy document in this fiscal year; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) to (c) The Tenth Five Year plan envisaged creation of 50 million employment opportunities during 2002-07. The Eleventh Five Year Plan is under preparation; employment strategy is being deliberated in meetings of various Working Groups.